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Request for File-Wrapper-Continuing Application

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Washington, District of Columbia 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 62, please file a file-wrapper-continuing application of the above pending complete application. This Rule 62 continuing application is being actually filed in the PTO or express mailed during the pendency of the above application. It should be a Continuation of the above application. Please use the Declaration and specification (including the claims and abstract) of the above application. Also, please use the drawings of the above application.

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment for this Rule 62 Application.

After entry of the Preliminary Amendment there will be 4 independent claims and not more than 20 total claims. A small entity declaration was enclosed for the above application. Thus, the filing fee for the Rule 62 Application will be \$395.00. A check for this amount is enclosed.

Very respectfully,

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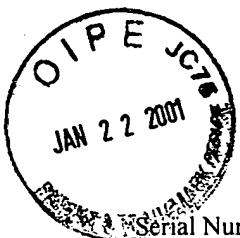
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Applicant: Daniel L. Chapman

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Petition for Extension of Time
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Sir:

In the above application, applicant respectfully petitions that the period for response to the outstanding Office Action indicated above be extended for the additional month, also indicated above. A response to such Office Action and the above Petition Fee (Small Entity) are enclosed herewith. (This extension will not extend the time over the statutory period of six months from the date of the Office Action.)

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